

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1-17. (cancelled).

Claim 18. (currently amended): A method of identifying a substance suitable for use in the treatment of an inflammatory disease comprising combining a candidate substance with a polypeptide (A) ~~as specified in claim 1~~comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2~~or a functionally equivalent variant of said amino acid sequence~~ and measuring the effect of the candidate substance on the activity of said polypeptide (A).

Claim 19. (currently amended): A method of identifying a substance suitable for use in the treatment of an inflammatory disease which binds to a polypeptide (A) ~~as specified in claim 1~~comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2~~or a functionally equivalent variant of said amino acid sequence~~ comprising mixing a candidate substance with said polypeptide (A) and determining whether binding has occurred.